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1. ALL OF FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL DETAILS RE PAIGC CONGRESS OBTAINED FROM WRITTEN VERSION OF COMMUNIQUE DATED JULY 24, AND REPORTING CONGRESS HAD MET FROM JULY 18-22 IN "LIBERATED ZONE IN EASTERN GUINEA BISSAU." (PEREIRA AND OTHER LEADERS NOW OBSERVED BACK IN CONAKRY. LARGE GROUP OF CONGRESS DELEGATES DEPARTED CONAKRY ON AEROFLOT JULY 24, ON FLIGHT BOUND FOR DAKAR, ALGIERS AND MOSCOW.)

2. PARTY STATUTES RE LEADERSHIP ARE CHANGED. FOUR LEADERS CITED REFTEL MAKE UP NEW PERMANENT SECRETARIAT, WHICH REPLACES THE PERMANENT COMMISSION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR THE STRUGGLE (CEL). IN ADDITION TO SECRETARY-GENERAL PEREIRA, WHO WAS ELECTED UNANIMOUSLY DURING CONGRESS, AND ASSIST-

ANT SECRETARY GENERAL LUIZ CABRAL, TWO SECRETARIES ON PERMANENT SECRETARIAT ARE FRANCISCO MENDES (CHICO TE) AND JOAO BERNARDO VIEIRA (NINO). THE SUPERIOR COUNCIL FOR THE STRUGGLE (CSL) IS ENLARGED FROM 81 TO 85 MEMBERS. CEL, EVICTED
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FROM CSL, STILL HAS 24 MEMBERS; ONLY
THE CEL PERMA-
NENT COMMISSION HAS BEEN ELIMINATED.

3. THE CONGRESS INCLUDED 138 DELEGATEE AND 60 OBSERVERS,
REPRESENTING ALL PARTY REGIONS, ARMY AND NAVAL FORCES, AND
WORKERS. AFTER REPORTS ON POLITICAL, MILITARY AND RECON-
STRUCTION ACTIVITIES IN LIBERATED ZONES, CONGRESS ADOPTED
RESOLUTIONS (UNSPECIFIED) TO REINFORCE ACTION IN GUINEA
BISSAU AND ACCELERATE STRUGGLE IN CAPE VERDE ISLANDS.
MOVEMENT PROCLAIMS ITS LOYALTY TO PRINCIPLES OF OAU AND UN
CHARTERS, AND EXPRESSES AGAIN THEIR DESIRE FOR SOLIDARITY
WITH OTHER ANTI-PORTUGUESE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS.

4. PAIGC IS GRATEFUL FOR AID FROM OAU AND INDEPENDENT AFRICAN

STATES, PARTICULARLY GUINEA AND SENEGAL, FROM SOCIALIST
COUNTRIES, PARTICULARLY SOVIET UNION, AND ALSO SWEDEN.
ALSO GRATEFUL TO ANTI-COLONIALIST GOVERNMENTS AND ORGANI-
ZATIONS IN EUROPE, ASIA, AND AMERICA. MOVEMENT PROCLAIMS
SOLIDARITY WITH ANTI-COLONIALIST FORCES INSIDE PORTUGAL,
WHOSE ACTIONS HELP ADVANCE LIBERATION AND PRESERVE FRIENDLY
TIES BETWEEN PEOPLES OF PORTUGUESE
AND GUINEA BISSAU.

5. PORTUGUESE WERE ENTIRELY RESPONSIBLE FOR CABRAL ASSASSIN-
ATION, AND CONGRESS UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED PUNISHMENT INFLICTED
BY "OUR PEOPLES' JUSTICE" ON TRAITORS WHO CARRIED OUT THE
CRIME. CABRAL IS DECLARED "PAIGC MILITANT NUMBER ONE," HIS
PORTRAIT WILL HANG IN ALL OFFICES, AND MEDAL FOR HEROES WILL
BE GIVEN IN HIS NAME.

6. PEOPLES' NATIONAL ASSEMBLY WILL MEET AT UNSPECIFIED DATE
LATER THIS YEAR TO PROCLAIM STATE OF GUINEA BISSAU, CREATE
EXECUTIVE FOR STATE, AND ADOPT FIRST CONSTITUTION.

7. SECOND CONGRESS HAD SLOGAN OF "UNITY, STRUGGLE AND VIGI-
LANCE," AND TOOK PLACE IN ATMOSPHERE OF RESPONSIBLE CRITI-
CISM AND SELF-CRITICISM, PATRIOTIC AND PARTISAN SPIRIT.
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